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Hi:

I'm writing to let you know that I think the proposed Microsoft Settlement is a bad idea. There aren't any teeth in the proposal and I don't feel that it is in the public interest.

There are lots of reasons for why I feel this way: you should read an excellent article at http://www.kegel.com/remedy/remedy2.html#public_interest that describes some of the many ways the current proposal fails. To me it seems like a company that has violated numerous statutes (the Sherman Act among others) is going to walk away without any real punishment because the new settlement too narrowly defines the API's, has all kinds of holes in what Microsoft must disclose, etc.

My vote is that you scuttle this proposed settlement.

Let me know if you have any questions...